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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting DD/NFA

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PB/NSC Coordinator

SUBJECT

Tasking for Friday —≒ September, SCC on Middle

East Security

Based on this afternoon's meeting with the DCI, he has requested the following be undertaken in preparation for the next SCC:

a.	What would be the attitude/opinion of both neighboring
	states and NATO allies in the event of a blatant Soviet invasion of Iran.

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- 2. In addition the Director will want to be prepared for several other subjects which will arise:
 - To present a joint CIA-DIA briefing. (This is being worked now under the aegis of D/OSR, to include briefing boards with maps and photography.)
 - Talking points for the DCI to use in suggesting if we b. should/should not give this briefing, and if so, to whom/ how much we tell them.
 - DoD has been tasked to come up with a new paper on "horizontal escalation." (Upon receipt of this paper comments have to be provided for DCI use at the SCC.)

3. Since will be accompanying the Director to Friday's meeting recommend that he be the focal point for the receipt of the material noted in paras 1 and 2 above as being prepared. He can then assemble the necessary briefing books for transmission to the DCI/DDCI by COB Thursday, 4 September. Even though NIO/NESA will be the focal point for the receipt of the material, much of it will have to be prepared by the production offices and/or other NIOs.

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4. The DDCI will be meeting with the PIWG on Wednesday, 3 September, at 1500 to discuss how, if at all, Secretary Muskie should approach Gromyko on this subject. He will be briefed on this at 1000 tomorrow morning by

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